

RE: Volin-McNett Request for Review



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Mark Johnson Roberts

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to Foltz, Kateri, Amber, Helen, Liza, me ▾

Thanks Andrew. To answer your first question, our public record policies haven't in the past been published because there are 17 of them in the various departments. So we are actually in the process of committing them to a single document. That process has been underway for some time (it's not a response to this request), and we plan to publish the new document on the website when it is complete.

On the second, the fee estimate is simply 30 minutes of a staff member's time to collect all the policies from the departments and be sure they are the current ones. And your point about the relative cost of the appeal petition, of course, is well taken. We'll spend more than \$27 dealing with it, we'll have to pay you more than \$27 for the pleasure, and Ms. Volin-McNett still won't have her documents.

You should be aware, if you have not already realized this, that Ms. Volin's requests of the bar have become frequent and expansive. (There are 26 so far.) We are expending extraordinary staff resources just in trying to encourage Ms. Volin to narrow her requests or, alternatively, to pay for them so we can produce them. So far, we have been unsuccessful. I am going to paste her most recent email below so that you can see the sort of communications we are contending with. You understand and I understand that the public records retention policies are public records like any others, but, clearly, Ms. Volin-McNett does not.

Based on your advice/observation, we have decided to put these present requested documents together and provide them to you to give to Ms. Volin-McNett. You can expect to receive them by Friday. You should also expect that we will likely need to charge a fee for requests like this in future, given the ongoing impact on our staff resources. We are concerned that giving documents without charge will encourage further requests and will make it impossible for the bar to recover its costs as contemplated by the public records law.

Thanks for your attention to this. May I have your confirmation that this proposal will bring this matter to a close? MJR